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Sir:

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97-1.98 and MPEP § 609, Applicants, through its attorneys, hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the references noted on the attached Form PTO-1449.

Since these references are being submitted before the First Office Action, no fees are believed to be due. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 501458. A duplicate copy of this letter is submitted herewith for that purpose.

The above information is presented so that the United States Patent and Trademark Office may, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) conferring the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Some of the references cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 represent English-language documents which have been cited in several opposition proceedings which have been initiated against the correspondence EPO patent. If the examiner wishes to know more about the opposition proceedings before the EPO, he or she is invited to contact the undersigned.

The following references were cited in Oppositions to the corresponding European Patent; however, copies of these documents were not enclosed by the opponents.

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If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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